

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for obtaining custom cut images products by an unskilled user comprising the steps of;
said user identifying a subject within a digital image at a first location for producing a cut image product;
automatically differentiating the selected subject from the background of said digital image;
placing an order over a communication network to a production facility at a second location that is remote from said first location for producing a cut image product using said selected subject;
printing an image of said selected subject on a sheet of media; and
producing said cut image product from said sheet of media incorporating said selected subject.
2. A method according to claim 1 wherein said produced cut image product is delivered to a remote location.
3. A method according to claim 1 wherein a number of said cut image products are produced on said sheet of media.
4. A method according to claim 1 wherein a computer software program is used to automatically differentiate said selected subject from said background.
5. A method according to claim 1 wherein information regarding the position of said image of said selected subject is used for producing said cut image product.
6. A method according to claim 5 wherein said information comprises a machine readable indicia that is on said cut sheet of media that can be read by a cutting device that is used to produce said cut image product.

7. A method according to claim 1 wherein said sheet of media comprises an adhesive release layer and a image receiving layer having a printing side and a back side, said image receiving layer being positioned over said release layer, said back side having an adhesive layer thereon.

8. A method according to claim 7 wherein said cut image product is made only on said printing layer.

9. A method according to claim 1 wherein said sheet of media comprises a base layer and an image receiving layer having a printing side and a back side, said image receiving layer being positioned over said base layer.

10. A method according to claim 9 wherein said base layer comprises a flexible magnetic layer.

11. A method according to claim 9 wherein said base layer comprises a static cling base layer.

12. A method according to claim 9 wherein said base layer is a transparent base layer.

13. A method according to claim 1 wherein said cut sheet of media comprises an image receiving heat shrink film layer and a heat shrink base layer.

14. A method according to claim 1 wherein said cut image product comprises a free standing image having a stand section.

15. A method according to claim 14 wherein said stand is integrally part of said cut image product.

16. A method according to claim 1 wherein said first location comprises a customer computer.

17. A method according to claim 1 wherein said first location comprises a kiosk at a retail location.

18. A method for obtaining custom cut image products by an unskilled user comprising the steps of;

said user identifying a subject within a digital image at a first location for producing a cut image product using a computer;

automatically differentiating the selected subject from the background of said digital image using a computer software;

placing an order over a communication network using said computer, to a production facility at a second location that is remote from said first location for producing a cut image product using said selected subject;

printing an image of said selected subject on a sheet of media; and
producing said cut image product from said sheet of media incorporating said selected subject.